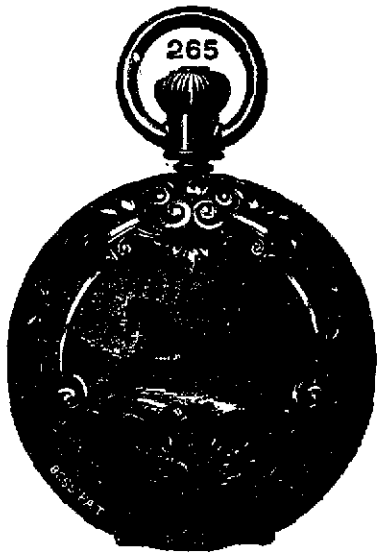


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Do your looking around, then call upon us, and we will show you more Watches than you can see in the Consolidated Stocks of Decatur. We have all kinds—

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Having taken the room lately occupied by the Decatur National Bank, NO. 13 WATER STREET, and having remodeled and refitted the same, have opened a Full Stock of

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TINWARE, CUTLERY, CARPENTERS' TOOLS, &c.

Also a full line of STOVES, including the unequalled
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For which we are the Sole Agents in Decatur.

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A World Wants Proof.

The proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof, and not in chewing the string which tied the bag. Therefore, Take Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic. It cures all blood disorders, torpid liver, sick headache, constipation, and all diseases of the urinary organs. The best appetizer and tonic known. Sold by Dr. A. J. Storer. Fifty cents per bottle. (April 3—d&w)

Come and see me if you have any old mattresses to work over, for I have the only machine for that purpose in the city.
Mar. 5—46
Upholsterer.

WARRANTED TO FIT the Wilson Bros' Shirts for sale at B. Stine's.

For the best meals and best liquors call at the Palace Hotel. (Aug. 20—d&w)

The Daily Republican.

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Per week, payable to Carrier, 15 Cts.
One year, in advance, \$7.00
Six Months, " 3.50
Three Months, " 1.75

THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 13, 1884.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM DUNSTON as a candidate for overseer of highways in District No. 2, of Decatur township, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce HENRY HART as a candidate for Supervisor of Hickory township, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are requested to announce CHARLES C. HART as a candidate for Township Collector at the ensuing April election.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

WALK in and see the Novelty Baby Carriages at E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co's.

CALDWELL has the best hard coal in market. P. O. Block. 24dtf

MY HOUSEWORK, corner of North Main and King streets, is for sale. Possession could be given in 60 days from date of sale. WM. J. QUINLAN.

March 13d

"Ranch 10" to-night.

CHAMBERLAIN'S ball March 20th.

EASTER EGGS in great quantities at Mar. 3—d&w

WOOD BROS. have a fine line of Easter goods. Mar. 3d

VERMILION county has recently received \$10,700 from the government for her swamp lands.

SCHROEDER'S Bohemian cigars are the smokers that every lover of the weed calls for when he wants a reliable nickel cigar.

WILSON BROS' Shirts made to order at B. Stine's. 14dtf

ABOUT 700 of the Harrison converts have united with the different churches in Decatur.

On the first page of this issue will be found an important change in B. Stine's advertisement. Read it.

See the new Berlin cooking ware, at Ferguson & Dillehunt's. mar12-dtf

HAWORTH'S new block on Masonic corner will be a clipper. Ground will be broken for it this spring.

ORDER Decatur coal, Amt or Lump of Caldwell, P. O. Block. 24dtf

THERE will be an Easter egg breaking concert at James' Chapel on the 25th. The attendance at the Sunday school on the 11th was 102.

Go to Dr. Thomas S. Hawkins to get your dental work done. Cor. Main and Water streets, Decatur, Ill. 21dtf

It is no trouble whatever to show those magnificent Haines Bros' pianos and other standard instruments at C. B. Prescott's Music Store in opera block. You are invited to call and see them.

No more cheap excursions to Kansas after March 20th. Persons going to any point in Kansas for low rates apply to T. Bivans, excursion agent, Decatur, Ill. mch13ld

K. W. CONN, general merchant at Mt. Zion, has quit business and made an assignment to J. G. O'Leary, of Decatur, for the benefit of his creditors. Liabilities unknown.

QUARTER WARE, in all sizes and shapes, at Ferguson & Dillehunt's. March 12—dft

THE Decatur Rites had a pleasant drill at the tabernacle last night. There were about thirty members in line. Captain Baker states that probably the company will have a nice armory hall on the third floor of the new buildings to be erected by Fred Matthes, adjoining the City Hall on the north.

DR. HUBBERT will be at the New Denning Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon—positively no longer; and to such as would secure his services in adjusting spectacles or get the Crystal Gem Spectacles, we can say there is no probability of his being in Decatur again for one year.

J. W. TYLER, south side city park, wants you to call and see him. He has a fine lot of harness which he wants all Decatur to see.

IT will pay you to deal with Stookey & Fenwick, grocers, at their new store, first door north of the entrance to the opera house.

The popular "Blower" hand made, clear Havana filler, five cent cigar, is made by Keck & Weigand, East Colorado street, who also manufacture the famous "J-B" and "Keystone" cigars. Feb20-ltf

ADOLPH RIEKER, a coal miner at the Decatur shaft, is charged with having disappeared, taking with him the sum of \$65, part of which he should have given to two brother miners who worked with him in the shaft. It is believed that Rieker has gone to Lexington, Mo., from which town he came here about a month ago.

JAMES SAWYER, 819 Rebecca Street, Chicago, Ill., says: "Brown's Iron Bitters restored my strength when suffering from weakness."

The congregation at the Baptist church last evening heard a good sermon from Rev. Roberts, the subject being "The night before the Saviour was crucified," but more particularly his words to his disciples as he came from the garden, "Watch ye and pray." Meeting every evening this week at 7:30.

FRESH country butter and eggs that you can bet on at Nielsen's on the mound.

LADIES can buy Rochester fine shoes of J. W. Baker cheaper than at any other store in the city. Mar. 2—d&w

MR. GEORGE PATTERSON, the book-keeper at Mr. John Ullrich's wholesale grocery house, ought to be proud, and he is no doubt. The office is now ornamented with a handsome new Diebold burglar and fire proof safe, which cost about \$1,400. It weighs 7,000 pounds. The storage space is 40x50 inches in size and 18 inches deep, giving ample room for the large and small books, and besides there are numerous pigeon-holes and locked receptacles for papers. The "money box" is made extra strong.

For a first-class job of upholstering call on the Boston Upholstering Co., No. 37 North Main street. They carry a full line of sample goods—fine parlor sets, lounges and easy chairs—over 100 varieties of all latest styles kept in stock. Mar. 13—d&w

ALL Winter Goods at Cost. We have too many goods and not enough money. CHAS. CHARLEY.

THE HAWORTH BLOCK.

A \$50,000 Business Structure on Masonic Corner to be Built the Coming Season.

It will be Heated by Steam and will have a Steam Elevator and a Cut-off Corner.

During the past 12 years Decatur has enjoyed a commendable rivalry among large property owners in the way of building beautiful and costly residences. The result has been the erection of four commodious dwelling houses by the Haworth Brothers, and equally fine residences by D. S. Shillabarger, A. T. Hill, J. R. Race, W. B. Chambers, I. A. Buckingham, J. W. Race, D. C. Shockley, M. P. Murphy, C. M. Imboden, H. W. Hill, James Milikin, Dr. Walston, John K. Warren, Charles L. Griswold, Mrs. A. A. Powers, John Ullrich, John Hatfield, and others, with some yet to be built by Wm. J. Quinlan, Charles P. Thatchler, O. Z. Greene, J. M. Ciokey and others.

A NEW BLOCK.

And now we are having a boom in the erection of business blocks. This forenoon a reporter had a glance at the plans drawn by E. McNabb & Son, the architects, for the new business block to be built at once on the corner fronting Water street and the Park south of the Masonic Temple, by Mr. James W. Haworth, of the check-rower firm of Haworth & Sons. This block will be one of the handsomest and most conveniently arranged that will ever be erected in Decatur, and will be a monument to the commendable public spirit of the gentlemen who will invest about \$50,000 in the improvement. It will be a brick structure three stories high and will have a frontage on the park of 87 feet, and also a frontage on Water street of 36 feet. Its general appearance will resemble the Ullrich building. But it will have a terra cotta cornice, a cut-off corner opening into a room on the first floor suitable for a bank, and the generous trimmings will be of stone and colored brick. Part of the bank room there will be four store-rooms—two 20x33 feet inside, and the last one, which will occupy the space where the Blenz meat market is now located, will be 18x33 feet in size. There will also be a store room on the Water street front, on the north side of the new block. The size of this store room will be 22x43 feet. An alley ten feet wide will extend along the north side of the building from Water to State streets, which will be a passage-way of great convenience to occupants of the block. The second and third floors with their lofty ceilings and splendid ventilation and light will be divided up into large and handsome offices for professional gentlemen. There will be 16 rooms on the second floor and 16 rooms on the third floor, and on each floor there will be water closets and other modern conveniences. The ascent to the second floor will be made by a stairway five feet wide in the middle of the block from the south side; there will also be a stairway entrance on the Water street side, near the alley, and in the hall entrance to this stairway will be found a steam elevator ascending to the third floor, which will be kept running during business hours for the accommodation of the occupants of these offices and their friends and patrons. This will be the first and only passenger elevator ever built in Decatur and will be a novelty in its way. Four of the offices on each of the second and third floors will front on the park and four on Water street, and the windows on all the floors will be of French plate glass. Wide halls divide the offices, and two flights of stairways lead to the third floor, so that the means of escape in case of fire are ample. The basement will be fitted up in fine style for business purposes, and a stone pavement of regulation width will extend on the south and west sides of the block.

The entire building will be heated by steam.

The plans for this structure were drawn by Mr. Will O. McNabb, who designed and built the George D. Haworth mansion. The block will be of the Romanesque style of architecture with a pretty combination of modern ideas in the way of trimming.

It is the purpose of Mr. Haworth to have the building ready for occupancy by Sept. 1st. He has given notice to the present occupants of the corner to vacate by the 20th of this month, and in a few days an advertisement will be inserted in the papers asking for bids.

The Revival.

Last night was another remarkable evening at the Rev. Harrison revival. The auditorium was filled as usual, and the services throughout were deeply interesting.

In many respects it was a better meeting than the one held Sunday night. There were about fifty seekers at the altar and a large number of conversions. One young man was very demonstrative.

The attendance at the United Brethren Church was good and the sermon delivered by Rev. Tremblow was an excellent one. Preaching again to night.

There was preaching at the Christian Church last night by Elder Pinkerton. The congregation was large and the interest good.

MR. M. ELSON, who has returned home after a long stay in Florida, paid the Republican a pleasant call this forenoon. Mr. Elson brought back with him a fine collection of views and curiosities picked up here and there in the land of flowers. While rambling about one of the old forts near St. Augustine, Mr. E. chipped off a large piece of coquina, or Florida shell rock, of which the forts and stone houses in that state are built. Coquina rock is very plentiful on the coast of Florida, and is used largely for building purposes. The specimen selected by Mr. E. can be seen at this office.

WILLIAM DILLEHUNT, overseer of highways in District No. 1, commenced scraping the roads in his territory this morning, commencing on North Water street. It is a little unusual that the roads are in a condition at this time of the year to be improved in this way, and Overseer Dillehunt is taking advantage of the present fine weather. Give us another Wiggins.

The Dunston Brothers—Andy and Groesley—yesterday purchased "Geo. W. Foster," the celebrated trotting horse that can make a mile in 2:35. He was purchased of Mr. George Blair, of Sangamon county. The cash price was \$450. "Foster" is now in Decatur.

See the new spring styles of shoes at J. W. Baker's. Mar. 2—d&w

It was a Bar.

The alarm of fire this morning between four and five o'clock, was first sounded by the screeching steam whistle at D. S. Shillabarger & Co's mill, and soon afterward every fire bell in the city was clanging industriously. The cause of the alarm was the burning of a barn valued at about \$100, located on the alley between Water and North Main streets, two blocks above Marietta street, at the rear of tenement property owned by Mr. Amos Conklin. No insurance. The Neptune firemen reached the scene of the fire, but could get no water, as the nearest water plug was too far away, and they were short of hose. An insurance agent says that the Conklin barn was one of the fire stables in that vicinity that have been condemned by some fire-bug. It is now in order for some one to run down the barn burner and make an example of him.

Death from Paralysis.

An aged and well-known German citizen, a native of Prussia, Frederick Stommel, died last night at 10 o'clock at the family residence on West Main street, in the 72d year of his age. The deceased, who was a baker by occupation, and had lived in Decatur since 1855, was stricken with paralysis two weeks ago, and did not rally. Mr. Stommel was born on Jan. 24, 1812. He came to America in 1848, and lived at Cincinnati until he removed to this city 28 years ago. In 1841 he was united in marriage to Caroline Baker, and she and five children survive the deceased. Mr. Stommel was an intelligent German who had many friends in this community, whose sympathy will be extended to the bereaved widow and family.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday at 2 p. m., from the family residence.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Senator Rogers returned to Springfield last evening.

Lawyer O. C. Sharp, of Lincoln, is in the city to-day.

L. L. Haworth left yesterday for Buffalo, N. Y., to attend a high joint Masonic meeting.

W. W. Fowler, advance agent for the Geo. S. Knight party, is at the St. Nicholas.

W. O. Taylor will leave for St. Louis to-morrow morning to work up a boom for Palmes toilet soap.

Prof. Demarest says there will be a rehearsal soon for the "Chimes of Normandy" by home talent.

Mrs. Stanton Fields, who has been confined to her bed by illness for several months, is still quite sick.

Will Shillabarger went to Sadorus with the "boy preacher." He says the church was packed full of people at every service.

Charles Pollock, late of Danville, Ill., and Ashtabula, Ohio, has assumed the position of cashier at John Irwin's white trout clothing store.

Rev. T. A. Parker and Rev. George Springer, both Methodist ministers at Springfield, visited Decatur yesterday and attended the Harrison revival last night.

Dr. R. P. Lane, of Rockford, Ill., president of the Rockford Fire Insurance company, and Richard Jackson, adjuster, are at the New Denning hotel, and will remain in the city for several days.

A. F. Hopkins, of Elwin, a member of the board of trustees of the United Brethren College, located at Westfield, Clark Co., Ill., departed for that town to-day to attend an important business meeting of the board. He will be absent all week.

J. Leslie Evans arrived in the city last night from San Jose, Cal., where he is engaged in business. He is registered at the St. Nicholas, and will remain in Decatur about a month. He says Hon. E. O. Smith will visit Decatur in May next to look after his property in this section.

Ed. Bramble, of the U. S. railway mail service, will take Aten Lytle's place as mail clerk in the Decatur postoffice on the 15th, when Aten will begin work as book keeper in the office of the Thacker Lumber Co. Ed. will act temporarily until some "new recruit" can be broken in to handle the letters swiftly.

Mr. Bramble will probably return to his position on the road, as he has nearly recovered from the injuries received in the Carpenter wreck.

Mr. Thomas Camps, of the Stafford house in London, England, writes to his brother and sister, of this state, that he has made his will in their favor. He is reported to be worth from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. This will be a snug fortune to the recipients and each of their children. They are to be congratulated on this good fortune to be, on the old gentleman's death. The beautiful and amiable Miss Ida Camps, of Vandalia, who is now visiting her uncle in London, will probably be a great heiress at his death.

MR. FULMER'S CHURCH.

Attention, Veterans.

All soldiers are requested to meet at Rite's armory, (tabernacle), on Wednesday, March 14th, at one o'clock sharp, to attend the funeral of our late comrade, John A. Brown, No. 69 North College street. By order Geo. S. DUBREIN, President.

JOS. A. DUBREIN, Sec'y.

REPORT OF TARDINESS.

In the Public Schools of Decatur for the Week Ending March 9, 1884.

HIGH SCHOOL.

No. Enrolled. 14 days Absent.

J. N. WILSONSON 62 98

MARY W. FRENCH 62 98

S. ALICE JUDSON 54 98

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

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DECATUR IN PARIS.

Interesting Extracts from a Letter from Mr. Louis L. Burrows.

Those of our readers who have been to Europe and those who want to go but "can't find the time," will peruse the following lines received the other day by Mr. Louis Burrows from his son L. L. Burrows, who is "doing" Europe in company with his friend, Mr. Charles Paulson, of Chicago. The letter was mailed from Paris, France, in February. The following are the extracts:

"We arrived here from London via Dover and Calais on the 14th. Before leaving London we had a delightful visit at Hampton Court Palace and spent some time at the British Museum, Westminster Abbey, the houses of Parliament and South Kensington Museum. On Sunday we went to hear the Rev. Mr. Spurgeon.

"We have already seen a good deal of Paris in the past week, notwithstanding it has rained five days, but we cannot afford to let that interfere so we keep going, averaging at least 25 miles a day on foot, besides the riding we are compelled to do, and you may be sure there is not a step we take but we find something to interest us. As an evidence then of the amount of work we get in and the crowd of interest surrounding us every step, we have explored the Catacombs of Paris and seen the bones of three million people piled up like cord wood, as high as our heads, for miles. Have visited the Pantheon, Cathedral of Notre Dame and its treasures, the Paris Morgue, Palace and garden of the Luxembourg, the Church of the Invalides and Tomb of Napoleon, Palais Royal, the Louvre, the Tuilleries, the Opera House, and a day at Versailles and one at the Hotel Cligny, the latter a most interesting museum; and have attended entertainments at the Grand Opera House and the magnificent new Eden Theatre just opened, the latter, they say, excelling anything in that line in all Europe. Certainly no description that I can give will furnish you any conception of its grandeur, nor the splendor and brilliancy of its stage presentation.

"We have comfortable quarters in the Place Vendome and shall return here after our Italian tour, upon which we expect to start to-morrow—24d.

"Our route will include Marseilles, Genoa, Pisa, Rome, Naples, Florence, Bologna, Venice, Milan, Turin and thence back to Paris."

"Ranch 10" To-Night.

This evening this new play illustrative of life in the west, will be acted for the second time in Decatur by Harry Meredith and his supporting company. Mr. Meredith is the author of "Ranch 10," and he is a very clever actor, playing the parts of the Twin Brothers in his play in a perfect manner. "Ranch 10" differs from all other plays that treat of life in the west, as it is free from all the Indian massacres and blood-curdling incidents generally introduced into border plays, and the whole plot of the piece hinges on the mistaken identity of the brothers, one of them being tried for a murder which is supposed to have been committed by the other one of the twins. Mr. Meredith plays the dual role of the twins, and he is ably supported in the performance of the play by a first-class company. The combination has arrived in the city with a fine lot of new scenery which will crowd the stage. Popular prices—35, 50 and 75 cents.

Masonic.

Special convocation of Macon Chapter this evening for work in the M. M. Degree. By order of

J. S. McCLELLAND, H. P.

J. C. HOSKINS, Sec'y.

DIED.

At his late residence at No. 69 North College street on Tuesday morning, March 13, JOHN AUSTIN BROWN, aged 35 years.

The deceased volunteered at the age of 16 as a soldier in the war of the rebellion for three years, at the expiration of which and in the last year of the war he again enlisted and served for three years in Co. C, 5th U. S. Infantry. He leaves a widow and one child of four years. He was known among his acquaintances for his kindly disposition and all those sterling qualities of heart that make the true soldier and citizen. His funeral will take place to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2 o'clock, from the family residence under the control of the Veterans Soldiers' Association, Rev. Musgrave officiating.

The following from the Colorado Springs Republican, of March 8th, has been sent us by Mr. Richard Ashby, formerly of this city:

By a late Colorado Springs, at half past 4 a. m., March 8th, 1883, Mrs. ELIZABETH JOHANNA BUSH, wife of William Bush.

Decatur had long been a sufferer from effects of that dread disease, consumption, higher years ago the family removed to Colorado from Illinois, and her life was thereafter lengthened several years. With the hope of further obtaining relief, she spent several months in Southern California, but returned in worse condition. Toward the last there was a complication of diseases and her sufferings were intense. During the last year, when the young, energetic body laid in a helpless condition, the mind befuddled except at rare intervals, and the attendant physician, when at last the grim destroyer came to found her in peaceful slumbers. The spirit passed away without a struggle.

Mrs. Bush was a woman of strong Christian character. For many years she was a member of the Baptist church, but three or four months ago withdrew to the Methodist Episcopal church, because of her warm attachment, faithfulness and other womanly virtues she had many friends, who with deep mourn her loss and heartily sympathize with the bereaved family.

The deceased was a resident of Decatur previous to 1873, when she left with her husband and located in Colorado. Mr. Bush during his sojourn in Decatur was a baker in opera block, and his family were regular attendants at the First M. E. church. Mrs. Bush was a truly good woman, a true friend, and a consistent Christian.

